Exhibit Synopsis

USPS Scrambled Indicia Issues-1997-2004 on First Day Covers

Theme

This exhibit shows one of the many ways the USPS used to thwart counterfeiters from reproducing United States stamps from 1997-2004.

Scope

Exhibit coverage includes detail close-ups of de-scrambled indicia images with their respective locations indicated with arrows on each stamp image.

Technical Philatelic Elements

The exhibit describes how to use and where to locate the scrambled security indicia on each stamp using the special dedicated Decoder lens.

Highlights

Included in the exhibit are the three different packaging formats marketed by the USPS all with original decoders included.

***Please note that all of these packaged Decoder len's are now very hard to acquire on the secondary market.**